

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

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7 H.P. 184

House of Representatives, January 18, 1983

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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Carroll of Limerick.
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12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Create a
18 Legislators' Turnpike Pass.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 3 MRSA §2, first ¶, as amended by PL 1981, c.
23 702, Pt. X, §1, is further amended to read:

24 Each member of the Senate and House of Represent-
25 natives, beginning with the first Wednesday of
26 December, 1982 and thereafter, shall receive \$6,500
27 in the first year and \$3,500 in the 2nd year of each
28 biennium, and shall be paid for travel at each legis-
29 lative session once each week at the same rate per
30 mile to and from his place of abode as state employ-
31 ees receive, the mileage to be determined by the most
32 reasonable direct route, ~~except that Legislators may~~
33 ~~be reimbursed for tolls paid for travel on the Maine~~
34 ~~Turnpike provided they have a receipt for payment of~~

1 the tolls, such tolls to be reimbursed where Legis-
2 lators use the Maine Turnpike in traveling to and
3 from sessions of the Legislature or in performance of
4 duly authorized committee assignments. Each Legis-
5 lator shall be issued a turnpike pass, in a form pre-
6 scribed by the Legislative Council, which shall
7 entitle that Legislator to travel on the Maine Turn-
8 pike without payment of any tolls, provided that the
9 Legislator is traveling in a vehicle which displays a
10 legislative license plate. Each Legislator is enti-
11 tled to mileage on the first day of the session, and
12 such amounts of his salary and expenses at such times
13 as the Legislature may determine during the session,
14 and the balance at the end thereof.

15 STATEMENT OF FACT

16 The purpose of this bill is to create a pass for
17 Maine Legislators to permit unlimited free travel on
18 the Maine Turnpike. In order for the pass to be
19 honored, a Legislator must be driving a motor vehicle
20 with the specially assigned legislative plates
21 attached thereto.

22 In fulfilling legislative duties, many Legis-
23 lators find it necessary to travel on the Maine Turn-
24 pike. The present system of reimbursing Legislators
25 for toll charges is cumbersome and unnecessary.

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